

**MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
UTILITY DIVISION  
AGENDA NO. 97-4-21**

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For Work Week Commencing: April 21, 1997

Business Meeting Date & Time: April 21, 1997, 10:00 a.m.

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**Work Sessions** All items identified below are for Commission discussion or action on the day designated (Dan).

1. MPC Docket D96.2.22 - Discuss stipulations and procedure if necessary, and other matters as necessary (4/22/97)
2. MPC Docket D96.6.106 - Action on MPC's ASIMI market based tariff filing and protective order (4/22/97)
3. PP&L RAMPP-4 Update, 1997 IRP Report Docket N97.1.4 - Discuss and act on staff recommendation (4/22/97)
4. SB 89-Things to do - Preliminary discussion of things the PSC must do as a result of SB 89 (4/22/97)
5. Post SB 390 - To review SB 390, consider PSC responsibilities for implementation and engage in a dialog on possible implementation steps. For example, we may want to invite MPC in for a meeting soon to discuss the filing of a restructuring case (4/22/97)
6. The Commission's continued discussion of Electric Industry Restructuring and various legislation pertaining to customer choice in electricity and natural gas industries (4/22/97)

7. Weekly Scheduling Meeting - Will be held following the 9:00 a.m. Legislative work session on the day of the Business Meeting

**Action Items** All items identified below are for action at the Commission business meeting.

1. AT&T COMMUNICATIONS - Docket N97.4.59 (Nina)

On April 4, 1997, AT&T Communications filed Advice 97-4, to implement IntraLATA Inbound Rates for UniPlan Flat Rate Pricing Option and Basic Service Option. Minor text changes were also filed. The proposed tariff changes are to become effective April 21, 1997.

**Notice Items** All items identified below are noticed for public participation purposes. Unless otherwise stated in the text of the notice, the items will be action items on the next following agenda or a subsequent agenda and participation may be had by submitting written comments to the Public Service Commission, 1701 Prospect Avenue, PO Box 202601, Helena, Montana, 59620-2601, within 5 calendar days following publication of this agenda.

1. PACIFIC TELECOM, INC. - Docket N97.4.58 (Bonnie)

On April 3, 1997, Pacific Telecom, Inc. filed Digitrex Plus, a tariff revision to replace Digitrex II, PTI's trade name for a Centrex-like central office based service. The basic structure of Digitrex Plus consists of two classes of rate elements: Group charges and Line charges. The rate structure provides volume by location pricing. Discounts are available based on number of lines, type of subscription, and level of access to public network. to expand the exchange boundaries for Drummond and Superior and to change the pricing structure of its Internet offering for public schools. Text changes were also made to the Off Premise Extensions offering.

2. CITIZENS TELECOM - Docket N97.4.66 and N97.4.67 (Kate)

On April 15, 1997, Citizens Telecom filed to change the name under which the company does business from "Citizens Telecom" to "Citizens Communications Services Company." Two filings were made -- one to change the name in the local exchange tariff and the other to change it in the access tariff.

3. AT&T COMMUNICATIONS - Docket N97.4.74 (Vicki)

On April 17, 1997, AT&T Communications filed Advice 97-6, to introduce AT&T CustomNet Simply Better Pricing Option and Special Access usage . Minor text changes were also filed. The proposed tariff changes are to become effective April 28, 1997.

**Information Items** All items identified below are for information only.

MPC Docket D97.2.29 - On April 10, 1997, staff granted intervention to requesting parties

AT&T Docket D96.11.200 - On April 11, 1997, staff granted an extension of time for filing Motions for Reconsideration (new date 4/19/97)

USWC/PTI Docket D96.2.15 - On April 17, 1997, staff waived ARM 38.2.4806(5)

**Tentative Action Items for Agenda 97-4-28**

N97.4.66 CITIZENS TELECOM (Kate)  
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N97.4.74 AT&T (Vicki)

**New Filings Received in Past Week**

D97.4.63 USWC - USWC vs. AIRPAGE/John Emery  
D97.4.64 USWC - Wireless Interconnection Agreement between USWC and Commnet Cellular, Inc. -Filing rejected  
D97.4.65 MCI - Request to Investigate and Certification of Compliance of the Montana LEC's with the FCC Payphone Orders  
N97.4.66 Citizens - Company Name Change; Access Tariff  
N97.4.67 Citizens - Company Name Change; Local Exchange Tariff  
N97.4.68 U.S. Long Distance - Notice of Intent to Provide Local Exchange Service  
N97.4.69 TEL-LINK - Notice of Intent to Provide Local Exchange Service  
N97.4.70 ACC - Notice of Intent to Provide Local Exchange Service  
N97.4.71 USWC - Revisions to Special Access Tariff/Eliminate Service Date Charge/Introduce Dispatch Charge  
N97.4.72 USWC - Phone Improvement Multiproduct Promotion  
N97.4.73 USWC - Withdrawal of Customized Intercept Service  
N97.4.74 AT&T - Intro CustomNet Simply Better Pricing Option and miscellaneous textual changes.